

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 are now present in this application.

The specification has been amended, and claims 23-25 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Reconsideration of the application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has given the following Restriction Requirement:

Group I, claims 1-22, drawn to a method of manufacturing a fluorescent lamp; and

Group II, claims 23-25, drawn to a fluorescent lamp.

In response to this requirement, Applicants hereby elect Group I, claims 1-22 drawn to a method of manufacturing a fluorescent lamp. This election is with traverse.

It is respectfully submitted that it should be no undue burden on the Examiner to consider all claims in the single application. However, without conceding the appropriateness of the Examiner's Restriction Requirement, but simply to expedite prosecution of this application, it is noted that non-elected claims 23-25 have been cancelled. Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional application at a later time, if so desired.

Favorable consideration and an early Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

In the event there are any outstanding matters remaining in this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area.

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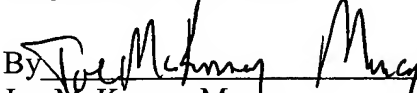
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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